ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

NEWS RELEASE



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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N. latitude, 131°18.90′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at $55^{\circ}00.73'$ N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

Section 3-A: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Shipwreck Point to the southernmost tip of Coning Point to the southernmost tip of Datzkoo Point located at 54°43.80′ N. latitude, 132°41.83′ W. longitude with the following restriction:

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40′ N. latitude, 132°24.77′ W. longitude to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island to a point at 54°49.68′ N. latitude, 132°20.50′ W. longitude (located approximately 0.5 nautical miles east of Guide Rock).

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch to the northernmost tip of Point Animas located at 55°32.06′ N. latitude, 133°27.37′ W. longitude to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda located at 55°19.11′ N. latitude, 133°27.80′ W. longitude.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

Section 9-B: will be open **north of the latitude of Point Cosmos with the following restrictions:**

Eliza Harbor: will be closed north of a line from Sharp Point to Deepwater Point;

<u>Point Gardner and Murder Cove</u>: will be closed north and west of line from the southernmost tip of Carroll Island to Yasha Island Light and then due west the Section 9-A boundary;

<u>Keku Strait and Port Camden</u>: will be closed south of a line from Cornwallis Point Light to Point Macartney Light;

Gedney Harbor: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point to Point Cosmos;

Elena Bay: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Gap Point to Elena Point;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.10′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude to 56°39.47′ N. latitude, 134°17.25′ W. longitude;

<u>Bay of Pillars</u>: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude.

District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

District 10: will be open with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Pinta Point;

<u>Gambier Bay</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Gambier Island Light with all waters of Snug Cove closed;

<u>Pybus Bay</u>: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Elliot Island to Point Pybus;

Port Houghton: will be closed east of the longitude of Point Hobart (133°28.47′ W. longitude).

District 11

Section 11-A: will be closed.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Chichagof Island, Catherine Island, and Baranof Island shorelines: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island, Catherine Island, and Baranof Island shoreline and the Section 13-C boundary; south of East Point (57°48.33′ N. latitude) and north of South Point (including the waters of Kelp Bay and Tenakee Inlet);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N. latitude and north of Fishery Point at 57°47.36′ N. latitude;

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light).

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Monday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 1, 2017:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restriction:

<u>Lisianski Inlet</u>: will be closed between 57°54.54′ N. latitude and 57°53.86′ N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek) and closed south of 57°52.37′ N. latitude **except that between 136°05.67′ W. longitude and 136°03.09′ W. longitude will be open from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 31, 2017.**

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Slocum Arm: normal markers;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

<u>Ford Arm</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from 57°34.74′ N. latitude, 135°57.08′ W. longitude to 57°34.38′ N. latitude, 135°56.46′ W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.01′ W. longitude;

Goulding Harbor: will be closed east of 136°14.17′ W. longitude.

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point and north of the latitude of Scraggy Point with the following restriction:

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°35.16′ W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50′ N. latitude, 135°34.28′ W. longitude to Makhnati Rock Light to Surf Rock Light to Simpson Rock Light to Tsaritsa Rock Light to Silver Point with the following restrictions:

<u>Silver Bay</u>: will be closed east of a line from Entry Point Light to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°01.58′ N. latitude, 135°14.58′ W. longitude;

Camp Coogan Bay: will be closed east of 135°14.78′ W. longitude;

<u>Crescent Bay</u>: will be closed in all waters of Crescent Bay enclosed by a line from the east end of the John O'Connell Bridge to The Twins Light to the southernmost tip of Guertin Island;

<u>Starrigavin Bay and Mosquito Cove</u>: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.78′ N. latitude, 135°22.55′ W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00′ N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point;

<u>Nakwasina Sound</u>: will be closed northeast of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°10.58′ N. latitude, 135°24.81′ W. longitude to the easternmost tip of Crosswise Island to the northernmost tip of Beehive Island then due west to the Halleck Island shoreline.

West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be open east of 135°16.00′ W. longitude and south of 56°50.00′ N. latitude.

Section 13-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes;

Saook Bay: normal markers except that no restrictions will be in effect from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 31, 2017 (all freshwaters and stream channels remain closed);

Rodman Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from Point Elizabeth to Point Benham;

<u>Hoonah Sound North Arm and Peril Strait</u>: will be closed north and west of a line from 57°28.83′ N. latitude, 135°06.62′ W. longitude to Pederson Point (on Moser Island).

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2017:

Section 14-A: will be open in the following areas:

Port Althorp: south of a line from Point Lucan to a point at 58°09.70′ N. latitude, 136°19.68′ W. longitude and north of a line from a point at 58°07.66′ N. latitude, 136°17.69′ W. longitude to a point at 58°07.44′ N. latitude, 136°18.83′ W. longitude with the following restriction:

East Arm: will be closed east of a line from a point at 58°09.13′ N. latitude, 136°17.97′ W. longitude to a point at 58°08.64′ N. latitude, 136°17.98′ W. longitude.

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at 58°12.51′ N. latitude, 136°09.78′ W. longitude to a point at 58°12.46′ N. latitude, 136°16.39′ W. longitude and north of a line from a point at 58°08.29′ N. latitude, 136°10.18′ W. longitude, to a point at 58°08.28′ N. latitude, 136°11.92′ W. longitude.

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

King Salmon Landing Restrictions: For Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of THAs, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY be retained and sold. King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls, Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Wednesday, August 2, 2017.

Copies of the "2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S4617.

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Office	Ketchikan	Petersburg	Wrangell	Sitka	Juneau	Haines	Hoonah	Yakutat
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AWT	225-5111	772-3983	874-3215	747-3254	465-4000		945-3620	

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 30

Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 29, 2017 for the Mid-Week Opening

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Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	300	250	22,000	1,500	24,050	6
Section 9-B	20	1,000	1,500	130,000	8,500	141,020	26
District 10	25	1,500	2,000	155,000	7,500	166,025	25
Amalga Harbor SHA	0	400	200	4,000	113,000	117,600	20
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	5,900	6,400	888,000	42,000	942,300	77
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	350	1,200	50,000	2,500	54,050	15
W. Admiralty shore	0	8,800	1,100	408,000	27,000	444,900	30
Section 13-A	0	2,100	1,200	818,000	16,000	837,300	54
Section 13-C	0	600	1,200	103,000	6,000	110,800	13
Total	45	20,950	15,050	2,578,000	224,000	2,838,045	266

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	50	42	3,667	250	4,008	
Section 9-B	1	38	58	5,000	327	5,424	
District 10	1	60	80	6,200	300	6,641	
Amalga Harbor SHA	0	20	10	200	5,650	5,880	
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	77	83	11,532	545	12,238	
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	23	80	3,333	167	3,603	
W. Admiralty shore	0	293	37	13,600	900	14,830	
Section 13-A	0	39	22	15,148	296	15,506	
Section 13-C	0	46	92	7,923	462	8,523	

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 120,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 8,400 king and 95,000 chum salmon.

Confidential: Districts 2 and 7, Deep Inlet THA

District 3: no harvest reported.

Insufficient harvest information: Sitka District 12

Section 13-B: no effort.